

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2118

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2118 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make certain amendments related to campaign spending.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Requires a candidate who has agreed to limit expenditures to notify the Office of Elections, rather than the Chief Election Officer, if the candidate exceeds the expenditure limit;
- (2) Repeals a requirement that candidates notify campaign contributors when expenditure limits are exceeded, in relation to certain contributor tax deductions that are no longer available; and
- (3) Repeals a tax deduction provision related to deductions that are no longer available.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Office of Elections. The Campaign Spending Commission submitted written comments on the measure.



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Your Committee finds that the housekeeping amendments made by the measure will ensure more efficient use of the Chief Election Officer and Office of Elections' staff. In addition, deleting references to tax deductions that are no longer available to taxpayers is appropriate.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2118 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Seventh Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2118	Committee Referral: JOL, WAM	Date: 2-25-14		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				✓
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				✓
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
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Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: Michelle N. Kidani				
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